

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2456 - SB 2398

January 27, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a senior psychological examiner to conduct an examination and provide a sworn statement or report concerning the need for a conservator.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Currently, only physicians and licensed psychologists with a health service provider designation may conduct the examinations.
- Typically, senior psychological examiners are a lower salaried group than physicians and licensed psychologists.
- According to the Department of Mental Health, permitting examinations to be performed by this professional group at the regional mental health institutions (RMHIs) could result in a decrease in the cost to perform these examinations.
- Any decrease in state expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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